



SATURDAY EVENING, OCT. 20, 1906.

DETAILS of the devastation and loss of life wrought by the hurricane on the Gulf coast, Cuba and on the ocean in the vicinity of that island are now being received. While the estimates concerning the loss of life may not prove as great as now supposed, enough is known to show that death followed in the wake of the high wind and accompanying floods, and that several hundred persons have perished, while the property loss has been enormous. This convulsion of nature has followed closely after a similar disturbance at Mobile and other places near the Gulf coast, by which many persons were drowned and the damage to property enormous. The interval between the storms has been short. Horrors in the form of earthquakes, volcanic eruptions and storms in different sections of the world are becoming more numerous and there seems to be barely a week's interval between them.

THE BOSTON HERALD recently published a dispatch from London which said:

A feature of this year's American invasion has been the great number of visitors from the southern States. A few years ago hardly one American traveler in a hundred came from the South. At present about 8 out of 10 are from places famous in the records of the civil war. Shopkeepers much prefer them to the northern visitor. They are said to approximate more nearly to the English type, are not so self-assertive and are equally good business men and women.

The English are not the only ones to notice the difference between the people of the North and the South, and the comparisons are always in favor of the people of this section.

DRIVEN money made by constant association with millionaires, ever hearing of opportunities that would have made them wealthy had they been anything other than clerks at \$60 a month, two youths gave way to temptation and robbed the Union Trust Company, of Pittsburgh, of which H. C. Frick and Senator Knox are directors, of between \$125,000 and \$500,000. The two boys, who had pleaded guilty, were called for sentence yesterday evening in the criminal court, and unfolded the complete story of their peculations and losses. So shocked was Judge Young at the lax method of the bank officials that he could scarce repress a smile at the discomfiture of Treasurer Gleffier, who was present.

THE VALUE of cotton exported from this country in the four years of depression, 1893-6, was \$783,504,780. In the past four years it was \$1,460,717,398. The value of the exported cotton nearly doubled; to be exact, the increase for the quadrennial period, after an interval of ten years, was \$667,212,618. But a great deal of cotton is not exported; it is consumed at home, and its value increased in the same proportion. This enormous increase in the value of the leading crop, says the Philadelphia Record, is enough to explain southern prosperity, but then there are also the cotton mills, and the iron and steel works and lumbering and a multiplicity of industries.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT will send another of his cabinet to assist in the Iowa campaign. It was announced yesterday that Secretary of Agriculture Wilson will make two or three speeches in that State on what he "thinks about the republic." He has told the State committee to put him where he would do the least harm, otherwise, he knows nothing about the itinerary of his campaign. He will remain in Iowa to vote, and might remain there indefinitely—and the country would go right along.

WE HAVE received a copy of the 126th annual statement of the finances of the City of Alexandria, together with the department reports for the fiscal year ending May 31, the revenue and license laws and the official directory for the year 1906-7, all conveniently and interestingly prepared by the efficient auditor of the city, Mr. E. F. Price. The little volume contains much that is of interest to every citizen of Alexandria.

FROM WASHINGTON.
(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)
Washington, Oct. 20.

The War Department this morning received four dispatches from Brigadier General J. Franklin Bell, commanding the army of Cuban pacification, at Havana, regarding the effects of the recent storm. He says that the light shipping in the harbor was considerably damaged, 25 lighters having sunk at their wharves. The steamship Cuba, which arrived at Havana this morning, came into port in a very sorry plight, her foremast of steel having snapped off close to the deck. The Cubans were loaded with animals for the use of the U. S. army. Gen. Bell reports that

138 of these were either killed outright, or so badly maimed that it was necessary to kill them to prevent their further suffering. The condition of the shipping in the harbor is satisfactory in so far as it pertains to ocean-going vessels. Several of the lighters, which were loaded with cargo taken from the Ward Line Morro Castle, were sunk during the storm, and Gen. Bell says it is not known yet whether or not these were loaded with U. S. property. Mary Fostick, a teamster of the 58th infantry, lost one eye, received a scalp wound and internal injuries and is not expected to recover. Frederick W. Sutcliffe, a civilian wagon master attached to the army, was severely wounded in the head, but will probably survive. Private William A. Harner, of the 18th battery of field artillery received an injury in the back by being struck by a falling tree. Not serious. These men are now in the Mercedes Hospital in Havana.

Fraud orders were issued this morning against the Highland Park Place Realty and Construction Company, of St. Louis, Mo., and the American Letter Company and Embosograph Company, New York. The St. Louis concern, according to the order, was engaged in a land swindle and the New York companies were working the old scheme of selling an outfit and promising work when the purchaser became expert in its use.

Following the proposal of President Mitchell, of the Georgia State Commission of the Jamestown Exposition, to have Georgia reproduced as her State building, Bullock Hall, at Roswell, the birthplace of President Roosevelt's mother, Martha Bullock, the President has written saying: "I need hardly say how much touched and pleased I am by these propositions to re-produce my mother's old home at Jamestown."

The rules and regulations for the enforcement of the food and drugs act, prepared by H. W. Wiley, Agricultural Department; James I. Gerry, Treasury Department, and S. N. D. North, Department of Commerce and Labor, were made public today. They stipulate that only harmless colors shall be used in confectionery and food products. Poisonous or deleterious preservatives are to be applied externally only and the Secretary shall determine the wholesomeness of the coloring matter or preservatives. No dealer will be liable to prosecution if he can show that he sold the goods under a guaranty from the manufacturer or jobber. The rules require that the complaints shall be made to the Secretary of Agriculture. They do not apply to domestic meat and meat food products. It is declared that the regulations may be altered or amended at any time, without previous notice, with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of Agriculture and Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

It was officially announced at the White House today that President Roosevelt will open the Jamestown Tercentennial Exposition with a speech on April 26, next.

President Roosevelt this morning sent a telegram to Gov. Magoon, at Havana, extending to the people of Cuba the profound sympathy which this country feels for the misfortune which has befallen them. The President also sent a telegram of sympathy for the people of Florida through Governor Broward.

It was officially announced at the White House this morning after a call of Henry St. George Tucker, president of the Jamestown Exposition Company, that President Roosevelt will open the exposition on April 26 with a speech. Mrs. Roosevelt and the Roosevelt boys will go with the President to the exposition on that day. Mr. Tucker was accompanied to the White House by former Secretary of the Navy Hillary Herbert. They discussed with the President the nature of his speech on that occasion. It will deal largely with historical events connected with Jamestown.

Four pieces of China from the set bought by President Jefferson in France were placed among the White House collection of presidential china today. They were loaned by T. Jefferson Coolidge, of Boston. They consist of a soup tureen, the top of a vegetable dish, a large platter, and a plate. Upon the death of Jefferson the set was sold on account of financial straits. Thirty years ago Mr. Coolidge's father bought the set and later presented it to his son.

Advices reached the Interior Department today from deputy game warden Johnson, of Wyoming, to the effect that the band of Ute Indians, whose return to their Utah reservation will be forced by U. S. troops, have broken their camp near Gillette and are moving rapidly northward.

At the instance of the State Department this government is about to send a number of tariff experts to Germany for the purpose of consulting with similar experts of that country about tariff duties, customs regulations, etc., with the hope of reaching an agreement which may avert the threatened commercial war between the two countries. The representatives of the United States have not yet been definitely selected but their names will be announced in a short time and they will start on their mission in about a month.

Southern Railway Earnings.

The annual report of the Southern Railway Company for the year ended June 30 shows the gross earnings are \$53,641,438, an increase of \$5,496,330, and expenses for operation and taxes are \$39,773,139, an increase of \$4,680,624. The net earnings from operation amount to \$13,868,299, an increase of \$805,706. The balance of income over charges is shown at \$5,299,065.

The net increase in rentals and interest, due in part to the sale of different bond issues, the purchase of part control of the Tennessee Central Railroad, and the increased interest on equipment obligations, is shown to be \$562,925.

The Transylvania Railroad, leased on January 1, was among the properties acquired, and a majority of the capital stock of the Virginia and Southwest Railroad was bought, which assures the Southern of a direct line into the coal fields and iron districts of Southwest Virginia.

The increase in equipment obligations is shown to be \$9,046,871.

An increase of 8.77 per cent gross earnings per mile of road operated over the previous year is shown by \$7,274 in this report, as compared with \$6,687.

News of the Day.

Mr. Grover Cleveland is suffering from a severe cold at Westland, his country seat, at Princeton, N. J.

Brig. General Pershing has been designated as commander of the Department of California, with headquarters at San Francisco, to succeed Gen. Funston, who is transferred to the command of the South-western division.

The triennial convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in Boston, yesterday took a decided stand against the evils of Mormonism. A strong resolution calling for the unseating of Senator Smoot and condemning Mormonism was adopted.

Arguments in the appeal of Dr. Algeron S. Crapsey, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Rochester, N. Y., from a conviction of a court in the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Western New York charging him with heretical teachings, were heard by the board of review for the Second Department in New York yesterday.

While standing by the coffin of Rev. Sam P. Jones, at the State Capitol, at Atlanta, Ga., yesterday, Mrs. M. E. Osborn dropped dead. Mrs. Osborn, who was intensely religious, was a great admirer of the evangelist, and when she learned of the sudden death became much distressed. She was about seventy years old, but in robust health.

Geo. J. Tarr, probably the foremost fish merchant in the country, is dead at Gloucester, Mass.

THE CUBAN HURRICANE.

Twenty persons were killed in Havana by the recent hurricane, all Cubans of the poorer class.

The property loss is estimated at \$2,000,000.

The velocity of the wind is officially reported to have been 80 miles an hour. About noon it was 120 miles in Havana. The cruiser Brooklyn dragged her anchors and touched bottom, but got off again. All the other warships rode the gale successfully.

Thousands of tents at Camp Columbia were blown down and the barracks unroofed. All American soldiers and sailors are reported safe.

The greatest money loss was in the harbor, where 35 lighters loaded with merchandise were sunk and other craft suffered.

The Prado and parks in Havana were devastated.

LOSS OF A STEAMER.

The steamer St. Lucie, Captain Bravo commanding, has sunk off the Florida coast. One of the extension steamers arrived at Miami, Fla., last night bringing 60 injured, who were taken to the hospital, and it is said there are 28 dead bodies which will be brought up today.

It is believed now that a portion of the Florida Fish and Produce Company's fleet was destroyed. Manager Adams sent out one of their boats yesterday morning to look for the men and boats and on their return they reported no signs of the fleet. The fishing nets were found strewn upon the shore.

The Red D line steamer Philadelphia, from Laguna, Venezuela, for New York, arrived at San Juan, P. R., yesterday 48 hours late. Her captain reports that a Dutch steamer was lost in the tornado at a point between Curacao and Laguna.

The Philadelphia encountered the tornado upon leaving the harbor at Laguna on Monday. She was blown ashore and slightly damaged. This and the heavy weather accounted for her delay in reaching San Juan.

Twenty miles of railroad connecting Laguna with Caracas have been totally destroyed by the storm, according to the officers and passengers of the Philadelphia.

Open Letter to the Pope.

Catholics all over the world have been stirred by an open letter addressed to Pope Pius X, calling on the pontiff to open the tomb of St. Peter at Rome, and settle for all time the current gossip that if such a tomb exists it will be found to contain nothing.

For fifteen years or more there have been doubts in archaeological circles as to whether there is a tomb where the famous monument of Michael Angelo stands, and where Roman pontiffs for centuries have knelt in prayer before taking up the burden of governing the Catholic Church.

But no one has been bold enough to publish a letter calling on the reigning pontiff to excavate and so settle the doubts.

Marcellus, who wrote the letter, and is supposed to be a noted Italian archaeologist, declares briefly that there is no such tomb, or if such a thing exists, it will be found to have been desecrated. This is said to be the belief of the foremost archaeologists of Europe.

Marcellus' letter has drawn no response from the Pope, but two of the most distinguished archaeologists in the Catholic Church, Prof. Marucchi and the Jesuit Father Grisar, declare Marcellus is wrong—that there is a tomb, and that the body of the first of the apostles is there.

Father Grisar and Prof. Marucchi, however, agree with Marcellus that the tomb should be opened, in order that the doubters may be convinced. The next move is watched with great interest by doctors of the church and Catholics at large.

Robbed the Bank.

Despite the efforts of the Union Trust Company, one of the greatest financial institutions of Pittsburgh to keep secret the facts of the robbery at the bank of between \$125,000 and \$500,000, the whole story came out yesterday afternoon when Clifford S. Hixton, who had pleaded guilty to having committed the robbery, were called for sentence.

The story is one of the most remarkable ever heard in the court room, and when Harry G. Clifford, the treasurer of the big bank, corroborated the story as told by Wray and Hixton, Judge James S. Young, who was on the bench, threw up both hands at the lax methods that had been used. Each of the boys were sentenced to serve ten years in the Western penitentiary, although two of the sentences are to run concurrently, which reduces the sentence to eight years. Wray, told the way they got the money. He, as a teller, would make out a deposit slip in the name of some former depositor whose account had long lapsed. It would pass through the hands of several brokers, and finally to Hixton, who would enter it. Then Wray would draw a forged check for the amount, and the check would afterward be destroyed by Hixton.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Eliza J. Buckley, widow of Bushrod Buckley, died Thursday night at her home at White Post, Clarke county, after an illness of six months, aged seventy-five years.

Mrs. W. C. Ivey, of Lynchburg, was elected president of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Virginia Methodist Conference. The society adjourned at Petersburg to meet next year at Charlottesville.

The Marlboro fishing shore, comprising 5 acres of land with fishing privileges and outfit, has been purchased from the owners, Berrey & Morton, of Stafford, by Wm. Faunce, of Washington, for \$2,000. The court will have to confirm the sale.

By unanimous vote, the ordinance committee of the Richmond council last night recommended an ordinance requiring pool-rooms to close at 12 o'clock midnight, and remain closed until 7 o'clock a. m., and prohibiting minors from entering them except on business.

As the result of having been honor graduates of the Virginia Military Institute in the class of 1905, Philip W. Booker and Kenney S. Perkins, both of Virginia, have been designated by the Secretary of War to stand a competitive examination for a second lieutenant's commission in the army. Archibald H. Bell and Arthur G. Campbell have also been named.

A noteworthy personage at the obsequies of Mrs. Jefferson Davis in Richmond yesterday was James Jones, a colored who drove the Davis family carriage during the war, and who now lives in Raleigh, N. C. He attended the funeral of President Davis and Miss Winnie Davis, and though now bent with age and much enfeebled, insisted on being present yesterday.

Town Sergeant Thomas H. Miller committed suicide about 11 o'clock yesterday morning at his home in Harrisonburg by shooting himself through the heart. Death followed within a few minutes. Mr. Miller was about sixty years of age, and was a member of a well-known Rockingham county family. He was a Confederate soldier. Ill health and worry over family affairs are assigned as the cause of his suicide. His daughter Lula was married in Washington two days ago to Ivan Nelson Kemp, of Dayton, Ohio. She left her husband several weeks ago and returned home. Mr. Miller had brooded over his daughter's marital troubles.

While on his way yesterday to the home of his fiancée, Miss Fannie Lee, of Lees Mills, Fauquier county, young William S. Hunton, of New Baltimore, was caught in the swollen waters of Cedar Run and drowned. They were to have been married Sunday at Lees Mills. The accident occurred at Auburn, where fording is generally a simple matter, but the stream since the last rain had been converted into a torrent. It is presumed that the young man underestimated the force of the current in attempting a fording. A diligent search throughout the day was only rewarded by the recovery of the horse's body, on trace of the drowned man being found. Mr. Hunton was a cousin of Gen. Epps Hunton, of Richmond.

A. C. Parker, "walking boss" for J. C. Zobrist & Co., of the Tide-water Construction, with an Italian known as Dick, was drowned yesterday about three miles above Bell Spring near East Radford. The river had risen about twelve feet and the pressure of the water broke the cable of a ferryboat in which Mr. Parker and the two men were crossing the river. They jumped out and attempted to swim to the bank, but only one succeeded.

Culpeper and vicinity during the past few days have been visited by heavy downpours of rain. Whole crops of corn in the shock, oats, wheat and hay in stacks were carried off by the floods. Early yesterday news was received at Culpeper that at the junction of the Rapidan and Rappahannock rivers, on the Spotsylvania border, a large farmhouse on a hill, with its inmates—men, women and children—was swept into the river, being carried down with the raging current some distance and landing upon a sandbar, where the inmates were rescued.

Suicide of Bishop Potter's Daughter.
Mrs. Lena Cowdin, daughter of Bishop Henry C. Potter and wife of Winthrop Cowdin, of New York, committed suicide at Hallowell, Sanitarium at Cromwell, Conn., by hanging herself on Tuesday night. The utmost secrecy has been maintained regarding her death, and the fact that she had ended her life did not become known until yesterday afternoon, after the issuance of the death certificate by the town medical examiner, Dr. Bush.

Mrs. Cowdin had been a patient in the sanitarium for four weeks, suffering from melancholia. Her desire to have absolute peace and quiet resulted in the authorities of the sanitarium placing an entire cottage at her disposal, while several nurses were assigned to care for her. She was given every attention that the position of her family would warrant, and only several days ago it was announced to her friends that she was on the road to recovery.

While the attention of her nurses was otherwise diverted on Tuesday night Mrs. Cowdin slipped quietly from the room in the cottage which she had been occupying and hurried to the cellar of the dwelling. There she adjusted a rope around her neck, tied one end to an overhead beam and let herself strangle. She was dead when the nurses found her.

Mrs. Cowdin was Bishop Potter's second daughter. She was 44 years old. Her husband was a wealthy wool manufacturer well known in New York social circles. They were married on November 4, 1886, while the bride's father was assistant bishop of New York.

List of Unclaimed Letters.
The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice up to October 20, 1906:

Broom, F. L. Merritt, Mrs. Bohs
Bradshaw, P. R. Moore, Mrs. Bettie A.
Eubank, A. S. Marshall, Mrs. Sarah
Eubank, Mrs. Birdy
Ellor, Miss Maud
Ellor, Miss Maud
Fountain, Jacob
Gant, Mrs. Berdie
Gladwin, Mrs. Lena
Gant, Mrs. Mary D.
Gant, Mrs. Mary D.
Harper, Mrs. Ed
Hobbs, Mrs. Helen
Lowery, Mrs. L.
Lee, Robert
Lynn, Mrs. Sarah
Mullen, Mrs. L.
Mullen, Mrs. L.

THE RECENT STORMS.
Havana, O. t. 20.—Contradictory reports continue to arrive in the office of the various newspapers as to the extent of the damage wrought by Wednesday night's disaster.
According to the most reliable accounts obtainable today the list of dead and fatally injured in the city of Havana will be between thirty and forty, while the total casualties on the island will exceed one hundred dead and five hundred injured. All estimates at property losses are merely guesses so far, but the damage to shipping and business interests in Havana alone is believed to be upwards of \$3,000,000. Estimates of the damage in the country districts are impossible, but the loss to the park and boulevard systems of the city is alone believed to be upward of a million dollars.
Luckily the American forces, both the soldiers at Camp Columbia and the sailors aboard the ships in the harbor, escaped practically unharmed. Several seamen were slightly injured while hastening to make things snug when the blow struck, and a number of soldiers received trifling hurts when the gale hit the camp, but only one fatal injury to a member of the American forces has been reported. Harry Fostick, a teamster with the Twenty-eighth infantry, was crushed by a falling palm tree and will probably die.
It is rumored that there are one or two American civilians among the dead and that several have been injured, but their names are not obtainable at this time.
The American fleet suffered less than was at first supposed. Fortunately the Brooklyn struck no rocks, but simply stuck her nose into the soft mud on the east side of the harbor and was easily drawn off. Aside from the loss of several small boats and of their superstructures the ships of the American fleet were but little damaged.
Wednesday night in Havana beggars description. A sprinkle of rain preceded the wind, then came the whirling of dull laden clouds which seemed to almost settle to the house tops. With a distant rumble the storm charged on the city and then struck with a shrill whistle and swished along, its natural roar accompanied by the crash of glass as tiles were lifted from roofs and hurled through windows of adjoining houses.
The air was filled with debris. Houses in the course of construction were torn to pieces as though made of straw.
The shacks in the poorer quarters were leveled like houses of cards, and it was here that the greater fatalities occurred. In a twinkling the beautiful Prado, with its double row of magnificent shade trees interspersed with stately palms, was cleared, the trees, which were the pride of the city, falling like rows of dominoes. In the Palace and Plaza similar scenes were enacted, and today Havana is a city almost barren of shrubbery.
Following the wind came a deluge of rain. It was a regular cloudburst. In five minutes the narrow streets were full and the water was in the stores on business streets. Half an hour after the rain had started Havana resembled a Venice.
Thousands of windows had been broken by the flying debris and houses which escaped unroofed by the gale were filled by the torrents which poured into the broken windows. Thursday morning the entire city was in a state of chaos.
Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 20.—Conservative estimates now place the number of dead in Florida and off the coast as a result of Thursday morning's disaster at upwards of 500 souls. Property losses will reach upwards of a million dollars.
Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 20.—The most appalling disaster so far reported is that at Elliott's Key, a little coral island 25 miles south of Miami, where the cyclone and resultant tidal wave combine to wipe out about 300 lives.
A gigantic sea, sweeping clean across the island, is said to have wiped out every one of the 250 inhabitants. The little steamer St. Lucia, the loss of which was exclusively told in these dispatches yesterday, was anchored on the tip of Elliott's Key and was smashed. Twenty-five of her company of 100 are known to have been drowned, a score are missing and many were picked up in the open sea while clinging to bits of wreckage.
A house boat anchored off the island and used as sleeping quarters for 150 laborers went down and to date only about one-third of the men have been accounted for. It is believed that all the others perished.
There is the best of reasons for believing that the fate of Elliott's Key has been the fate of a score of little islands off the south coast peninsula. If this is so the present estimates of the number of dead will be found woefully low.
Key West, Fla., Oct. 20.—Forty-nine workmen from barge No. 4 engaged on the east coast extension work were landed here by the Austrian steamer Jennie, bound from Gulf Port for Genoa, which picked the men up near the Bahama coast.
Shouts of distress from the water attracted the Jennie Thursday night. She put out her boats and picked up forty-nine men who had been floating on bits of wreckage.
Three other steamers came up, but it is not known whether they rescued any one.
W. P. Duzenbury, one of the engineers in the party, says no other barges were in the fleet with No. 4. No word has been received of any of them and it is feared they were lost. If so, then 100 more names must be added to the death list in the great hurricane.
Key West, Fla., Oct. 20.—Six hundred lives lost and \$4,000,000 property loss is a conservative estimate of the damage caused by the great storm. Indications are that it will prove one of the worst disasters of modern times.
San Salvador, Oct. 20.—Great loss of life and immense property damage has resulted from a terrible storm which has raged here for ten days. The valleys have been flooded and all rivers are high over their banks. Buildings in various cities have been destroyed, in some cases burying their tenants. Bridges, aqueducts and houses which stood near by the banks have been swept away by the floods. Bodies of men and carcasses of animals were constantly brought down by the swollen streams. The loss is reported of the warship Izalco at Acapulco.
Many a man of humane impulses, who would not willingly harm a kitten, is guilty of cruelty where his own stomach is concerned. Overdriven, overworked, when what he needs is something that will digest the food eaten and help the stomach to recuperate. Something like Kodol For Dyspepsia that is sold by W. F. Orlington & Co., 401 King street.

Today's Telegraphic News

Honduras and Guatemala have also suffered severely from storms.
Charleston, Oct. 20.—With barometer registering 29.37 inches and still falling at a late hour this afternoon conditions are becoming grave here and there is considerable fear that the city is to suffer a visit from the hurricane now circulating in this vicinity. Rain is falling and a 35-mile-an-hour wind is blowing. The tide is two feet above the normal. Many of the water front streets are now under water.
High Water.
[Special dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.]
Richmond, Oct. 20.—The James river is 29 feet at Columbia, and is still rising. This means a flood here, and the lower section of the city will be submerged by night. Experts say that the record will be broken, as 30 feet is the highest ever known.
The Shenandoah river is also very high.

Countess of Carlisle Elected President.
Boston, Oct. 20.—The Countess of Carlisle, who resides at Castle Howard, York, England, was today elected world's president of the W. C. T. U. The other world's officers were re-elected practically without opposition. They are: Vice president, Mrs. Lillian M. Stevens, Portland, Me.; honorary secretaries, Miss Agnes E. Slack, Ripley, England; Miss Anna A. Gordon, Evanston, Ill.; president, Mrs. Mary Sanderson, Danville, Va. The election of a new president was necessitated by the fact that Lady Henry Somerset, of England, declined to serve again on account of ill-health. Mrs. Stevens was next in order of succession, refused to allow the use of her name and the honor therefore went to the Countess of Carlisle, who was president of England.

Dedication of Monument.
Richmond, Va., Oct. 20.—Veterans of the Blue and Gray are fraternizing on the field of Manassas today, fighting over in friendship the battle of forty odd years ago. The occasion is the dedication of three monuments to northern commands that participated in the first Manassas battle; namely, The Fifth, Tenth and Fourteenth regiments of Brooklyn. At Washington the train bearing the veterans south was boarded by a number of old soldiers who made the trip on down to Manassas. The Confederates of Prince William county met the Northern party at Manassas and gave them a hearty welcome, and are doing all possible to entertain them during the day. Rev. J. Wesley Hill, of Brooklyn, delivered the oration of the day.

Mutiny on a Schooner.
Berlin, Oct. 20.—Mutinous sailors of the Russian schooner Almo, after murdering the captain and two mates of the vessel, while off the coast of Schleswig-Holstein, seized the ship and are now somewhere on the high seas bound for an unknown destination. The strong box of the schooner was the prize which prompted the crime and to secure which the mutiny was organized. As the officers had been disposed of, it was rifled and the spoils divided. The third mate of Almo jumped overboard to escape death and finally succeeded in swimming to shore, where he reported the tragic happenings on board his former vessel.

Secretly Married.
London, Oct. 20.—Camille Clifford, the American actress, has been a bride since October 11. Her marriage to the Hon. Henry Lundaust Bruce having been secretly solemnized on that date, according to information which became public today. A special license was issued to the young people and they were wed by the Registrar. Miss Clifford has continued to appear in the Belle of Mayfair and no intimation was given that Mr. Bruce had defied the wishes of his father, Lord Aberdeen, and married the reigning stage favorite.

\$600,000 Deposits.
Butte, Oct. 20.—It is admitted that depositors in the Aetna Bank and Trust Co., which failed to open its doors Friday morning, amounted to \$600,000. Cashier Garside is the only official residing in Butte who claims not to know of the condition of the bank. The depositors are nearly all working people and children who were induced to deposit their savings with the Aetna on promise of interest on their money. There is probably no demand.

Accident to Steamer.
New York, Oct. 20.—The Cunard line steamer Etruria, outward bound for Liverpool, is at anchor off Tompkinsville. It is reported that her port rail is damaged and that she had evidently been in collision. Early today the Etruria was seen to be close to the docks at Tompkinsville apparently having lost her bearing in the fog, and later backing off at full speed. Finally she anchored some distance from the land.

Rain Stops Balloon Races.
Pittsfield, Mass., Oct. 20.—Rain accompanied by a strong wind, has stopped for today the balloon races here for the Alan E. Hawley cup. At 11 o'clock Mr. Hawley and Captain Homer W. Pedge returned from Air Park where the three balloons, Centaur, Orient and Eagle, lay stretched out on the ground, and said there would be no ascension today.

High Wind in San Francisco.
San Francisco, Oct. 20.—Wind today blew down the walls of the Grand Opera House, Mission and 31 streets, burying 14 workmen. One body has been recovered. The walls of the Pacific Mutual Life building, Montgomery and Commercial streets, also were blown down and four persons buried. One body was also recovered here.

Wants Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars Damages.
Philadelphia, Oct. 20.—Suit was begun this afternoon by Senator James P. McNichol against Louis Emory, Jr., the candidate for governor on the fusion tickets, charging criminal libel and a warrant was issued for Emory's arrest. McNichol asks for \$250,000 damages.

The director of the mint yesterday afternoon purchased 150,000 ounces of silver at 70.37, two-thirds to be delivered at New Orleans, the remainder at Denver.

Is the Moon Inhabited.
Science has proven that the moon has an atmosphere, which makes life in some form possible on that satellite, but not for human beings, who have a hard enough time on this earth of ours; especially those who don't know that Electric Bitters cure Headache, Biliousness, Malaria, Chills and Fever, Jaundice, Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Torpid Liver, Kidney complaints, General Debility and Female weakness. Unequaled as a general Tonic and Appetizer for weak persons and especially for the aged, it induces sound sleep. Fully guaranteed by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, Druggists. Price only 50c.

The Ninth Virginia District.
[Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.]
Richmond, Oct. 20.—Mr. Bruce in the Ninth district is conducting a quiet but effective canvass. He writes today appealing to Chairman Elyson for speakers. The latter has ordered every available man to that district. Sam Kelly, ex-Governor Montague, Gov. Swanson, Senators Daniel and Martin, Messrs. Tucker, Duke and others will canvass the district.

Lands in Jail for Biting His Fiancée.
Washington, Pa., Oct. 20.—Alfonso Bazir, son of a wealthy merchant of Charleroi, in this county, was tonight landed in jail on a charge of mayhem, perpetrated by his sweetheart and promised wife, Hattie Maran, who has been paying attention to the buxom Hattie for some time, last night plucked up courage to ask her to marry him. To his great delight Hattie said yes, and then lent herself to a betrothal kiss, but Alfonso became vicious and bit her cheeks and lips so badly that she today swore out a warrant charging him with mayhem.

Stabbed to the Heart.
Fort Worth, Tex., Oct. 20.—Love for a white girl caused Alberto Agos, a Mexican, employed in the Eidel hotel, at Baird, Tex., to commit murder and attempt to kill himself. He was employed in the kitchen with Miss Emma Blackley and formed a violent attachment for her, but she repulsed his advances. She was to have been married Sunday and her fiancé was out of town when the tragedy occurred. Ago's stabbed the young woman to the heart, instantly killing her and then stabbed himself through the body in such a manner.

Big Fire.
Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 20.—The Masonic Temple, a three-story building, and between twenty and thirty residences are in ruins and several persons are reported dead from falling walls as the result of a fire which started shortly after 12 o'clock today from a gasoline explosion in a booth in a street carnival in the business centre of the city. The animals in a wild west show were also burned.

Railroad Accident.
Greenburg, Ind., Oct. 20.—The Queen City special on the Big Four Railroad running at 60 miles an hour, crashed into a freight train between this place and McCoy early today. Carelessness in handling orders is said to be responsible for the wreck. Seven persons are reported hurt.

Suspension in London.
London, Oct. 20.—The MacFarlane Co. banker, who have enjoyed a large business in India today suspended payment of creditors.

Mysteriously Lynching.
Lexington, Ky., Oct. 20.—A negro, about 40 years old, was found hanging to the limb of a tree of the lawn of Horace Coleman's house, nine miles from Lexington, today. The indications are that he was lynched, but no one in the neighborhood appears to know him or to have any knowledge of a crime.

Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, yesterday repeated to the grand jury in New York his statement that Tammany candidates were threatened with opposition unless they paid money to managers of the Independence League. He said the charges did not apply to Judge Rosalby, and that his statement in this particular was "rash." As a result of the accusations, Representative Joseph E. Goulden, William Astor Chanler and Joseph Pendegast have been subpoenaed by the grand jury. Chanler states he has contributed \$10,000 to promote his candidacy.

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